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NOVEMBER 7, 2012

MOROCCO DAY – NOVEMBER 13, 2012

The relationship between the United States and Morocco began in 1777 when Morocco became the very first country to recognize our new nation. One of its most recent milestones is the signing of the Morocco-US Strategic Dialogue on Thursday, September 13, 2012. This is one of less than two dozen such agreements in existence, and the only one in North Africa. With its signing the Strategic Dialogue officially begins and builds on bilateral advances already achieved, including the Morocco-US Free Trade Agreement, the Millennium Challenge Compact, and Morocco's designation as a major non-NATO ally. Morocco has been a major ally to the United States during the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and the struggle against terror around the world.

This special relationship between our two countries deserves wider recognition and should be commemorated.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim November 13, 2012 as Morocco Day throughout the County of Los Angeles, and that residents be encouraged to take this opportunity to learn more about Morocco and its relationship with our nation.

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